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Northern States Power Company February 2003 Purchased Gas Adjustment PU-400-03-67 Filed 01/31/2003

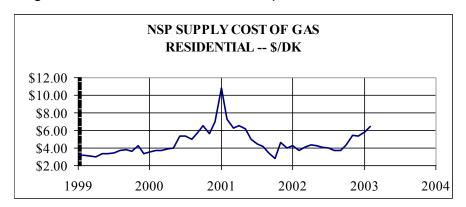
SUMMARY OF PROPOSAL:

In this filing, NSP is increasing the cost of gas adjustment by \$.6401 per dK for gas used on and after February 2, 2003. This changes the current residential customer cost of gas adjustment from \$5.8105 per dK to \$6.4506 per dK.

The increase for residential customers results from:

- \$.6413 per dK increase in the commodity cost of gas
- \$.0012 per dK decrease in the demand cost of gas

Natural gas commodity prices increased, in part, due to colder than normal weather and strong national storage withdrawals. The net demand related gas prices decreased due to tariff decreases in the SBA Surcharge on Northern Natural Gas Pipeline Co., a decrease in the Dakota Reservation Surcharge on ANR Pipeline Co., and a decrease in the GRI Surcharge on Williston Basin Interstate Pipeline Co.



This change in cost of gas increases the bill by \$9.15 for a residential customer with usage of 14.3 dK in February.

The Department of Energy's (DOE) Energy Information Administration (EIA) provides various publications on energy issues. The information is available on the EIA website: http://www.eia.doe.gov.

MOTION

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Northern States Power Company February 2003 Purchased Gas Adjustment Case No. PU-400-03-67

I move the Commission approve Northern States Power Company's February 2003 purchased gas adjustment, Case No. PU-400-03-67.

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